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3,000 Yards 7-8 Brown Cotton at only 3c per yard. 5,000 55 Extra Fine Worsted Skirts at \$3.00 and \$3.50, worth yards good yard-wide Brown Cotton at 4c per yard : fine and Great values in Bleach Cotton.

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The greatest value in Red and White Table Damask ever

13 Pieces Wool Cassimere at 50c; regular price \$1.00. 33 pieces all-wool do. at 39c., worth 621c, and a big lot of cheaper

Cassimeres at 20c and 25c 200 Pieces Cottonades at 81c, 10 and 121c, that are dirt

16 Pieces of Curtain Scrim that sold at 12tc and 20c per yard. You can buy at 6tc, 8tc and 10c per yard. You should see them to appreciate how cheap they are.

500 Dozen Ladies', Children's and Men's Hose and Half Hose at 4c, 5c, 6tc, 8tc, 10c, 12tc and on up to 25

100 Dozen Ladies' and Gent's Gauze Shirts and Drawers to

be sold at a sacrifice.

Our immense stock has forced us to rent extra ware rooms to store it. This stock has been the talk of the town. If you have \$10 to spend in Dry Goods it will pay you to ride 40 miles to spend it at BAKER'S. We have many other things to interest you that we have not space to mention. Come and see. We want everybody to come.

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16 Commerce Street and National Boulevard Has Moved His Tonsorial Parlor Mr. Charles Lawson has moved his Tonsorial Parlor from upper Commerce street to the office lately occupied by the Free Lance, where he is prepared to do all work such as Shaving, Hair Cutting, Shampooing and Heir Dressing in the most artistic manner. He shop is large and commodious, always cooeven in this most oppressive weather. Neatness and the latest style of work will be one of the chief features of this establishment give mea call.

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SPONGES.

We have just received from the Volman Sponge Co., of New York, as splendid assortment of Sponges, and when you need a Sponge for any purpose we will be glad to show you our stock. We have them at all prices and grades, from a 18 Slate Sponge to a 50 cent Bath Sponge.

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This Cut represents one of our NEW STYLISH TAILOR MADE SUITS just opened. Thes Suits are made in a first class establishment by experienced Men Tailors, of Splendid Materials amperfect it and workmanship. Colors Brown, Castor, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Green, Black, Green Mixture, Brown Mixture, Grav, Tan and Cadet, All Wool Cheviot and Versetian Cloth, Jacket a Mixture before the dand lined throughout with Colored Taffeta Silk or Silk Serge. Skirt is of newest design silk strings hips, demi-train, full pleat, lined with good Percaline and Interlined, Velveteen binding. Sizes of Jackets, 32 to 49 Skirts, length 38 to 44; Waist measures, 30 to 28. The Jacket makess splendid light weight Wrap, and will be useful for all cool days and evenings, even when you are wearing P. K. Skirts and Lawn Shirt Waists. So with the Skirt it can be worn separately with thin Wash or Silk Waist acy time. Both Jacket and Skirt make a Handsome Suit for traveling wear of street. We have a splendid line of Man-Made Tailor Suits of Elegant Materials for only \$10.

The styles of close-fitting Skirts almost compel some figures to wear a small bustle, and we have just opened a line of these that are adapted perfectly to the requirements of the skirt and form, which we would like you to see.



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CAROLINE

Sold Other Not sof General Inte est From Bowling Green.

(Correspondence of The Free Lance.)

Bowling Green, May 4th, '99 Rev. S S Ware, rector of Port Royal, illed the pulpit of the Disciples Church in Sunday morning. The congregation illed the building.

Mr. Marcus H. Watts, who resided acre formerly, but is now attending R. M. C. llege, at Ashland, spent Sunday and Monday with his friends here. Misses Cordie L. Winston and Grace King spent Friday and Saturday in chmond with friends. In last Friday night one of the most

delightful recitals ever given by the pupils of the Southern Seminary took place in the assembly half of that insti-tution. Never have the young ladies acquitted themselves better, and the particular. As had been previously an nounced, the proceeds went towards re-pairing the Methodist Church, and quite large amount was realized Miss Annie M C u ey has returned

Rev. W.F. Hayes and wife left on last Wednesday for Accomac, having been called there by the illness of his nother, who resides there. Rev. E. H. Rowe is out again after nis indisposition of last week. Mrs. C. L. Collins, of Woodford's,

is the guest of Mr. G. A. Collins and family.

Mrs John Author, of Richmond, is nding some time with friends in

Miss Mary Nottingham returned to her home here on Saturday, after a pleasant visit to friends in Richmond Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Broaddus left on Monday for Richmond. The Dr. re-turned on yesterday, but Mrs. B. will remain several days longer.

Mr. W. F. Chandler, of Atlanta, is spending several days in town. His friends extended him a cordial wel-

oome.

"Oak Ridge," a farm about two miles from town, belonging to Mr W L. Chandler, has been sold to Mr. Lawrence Jordan, of this place, who, with his family, will reside there.

Mr. John Chandler and little son, of Maryland, are the guests of his brother, Mr. T. R. Chandler, at Milford.

Mr. E. W. Woolfolk and family, of Ashland, spent several days of last week with the family of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Woolfolk, at "Mulberry Place."

Place."
Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Louisa, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. James Eonis, X Y Z.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to se incurable. For ag eat many years doe-ars pronounced it a local disease, and preure, Send for circulars and testimentals Address, F. J.CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O Sold by Druggists, 5c. Hall's Family Pills are the best

Chandler's Platform.

'The men who declaim in Chicago that that the American flag is the symbol of butchery and tyranny," says Senator Chandler "are the copperheads of the present day. We had to suffer from them during the civil war, and I suppose we will have to endure them now. There ought to be some way to reach them, because they are traitors to the country. Everybody knowns that the war in the Philippines would not have been so prolonged if it had not been for the aid and comfort afforded the insurgents by their sympathizers in the United States. I know that Edward Atkinson had the effrontery to send Atkinson had the effrontery to send copies of his pamphlet on the horrors of war to Secretary Alger, with the statement that the document would be circulated among the soldiers. The only thing that I can hope is that Senator Hoar and Senator Mason will not occupy the same position toward the Democratic Party next year that Grover Cleveland and his friends did to the Republican Party in 1896." Republican Party in 1896."
But you believe that the Republi-

cans will win in the next Presidential

"Yes," said the Senator, "but certain things will be necessary. There must be harmony in Ohio, with conciliation and self-effacement on the

ciliation and self-effacement on the part of Mr. Hanna. The harmonizing must be done by President McKinley, who can bring all factions together.

'The reputation of the American Army for American prowess must be sustained. It must continue to fight as long as fighting is necessary. We must stand by the army or recall it. The recall will not be sounded. A conservative Congress will determine what distive Congress will determine what dis-position shall be made of the Philip-

"The early liberation of Cuba must be accomplished. The government there must be put in the hands of the real representatives of the people, and not of self-constituted and pretended lead-

COUNTY.

Eighty Dollars Realized for St. John's Church-New Hotel Sale of Property-Personal and Other Notes.

(Correspondence of The Free Lance,

Warsaw, Va , May 4th, 1899 A delightful entertainment was given in the Court-house here on Friday night last under the auspices of the ladies of the Sewing Society of St. John's Church The Cantata ' The Congress of Nation or Strange Visitors" was well rendered and interrupted often by applause. All those participating deserve much credit for the manner in which they acted their respective parts. About eighty dollars was realized

The hotel, on the site of the old Warsaw House, has been completed and is occupied by Proprietor W. G. Wallace. The building is a great addition to our vil-age, and is one of the most convenient and comfortable hotels in the Northern

Neck Mr B. H. Baird has purchased of Morgan, his dwelling and lot on Main street, which he will occuppy in the near future.

Mr J. M. Morgan is having the place known as the "Old Brown let," put in order and will reside there. order and will reside there.

W. S. Wood, who for years, has been engaged in the mercantile business at this place, has sold his property to Messrs. Warner and Morgan, and has moved to Reamy's Fork.

Messrs. O. B. Garland and Vergie Montgomery, of Washington, are visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. A. B. Johnson one efficient com-

Mr. A. B. Johnson, our efficient com-missioner of the revenue, is quite sick. Mr. Walter Chinn is on a visit to his parental home here

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong, I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at M. M. Lewis' Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed.

SUBMARINE CABLES

\$250,000,000; they connect with 835,000 miles of land telegraph, with 3,500,000 miles of single wires, and over these 365,000,000 messages are ticked off annually—a cool million each day of the year. Thirty five companies, operating 320 commercial cables, own 150, 000 of the 170,000 miles of submarine cables. The remaining 20,000 miles are made up of short lines controlled by governments, and are divided into 1,150 single lines, which connect forts,

lighthouses, signal stations, etc.
Whenever the Secretary of War sends Whenever the Secretary of war sends a message to General Otis in the Philip-pines the electric current passes in jumps 14,000 miles from Washington to Manila. The message goes overland from Washington to New York, by cable to Valentia, Ireland; to Brighton and Havre by land and cable; to Mar-ceilles the land, over the bettom of the seilles by land; over the bottom of the Mediterranean sea to Alexandria, Egypt; to Suez by land; to Aden and Bombay by cable; to Madras by land; to Singapore, Saigon and Hong Kong by cable to Bolonao, on the Philippine Islands

tomatic transmitters now coming into use. By duplexing the cables their carring capacity is doubled. The original cost of \$100 a message, which was charged on the first trans-Atlantic cables has been cut down to 25 cents a word from New York to London and the Continent.

The time of transmission has been shortened to such an extent that during the Santiago campaign a message was sent from Washington to the battlefield of San Juan and an answer received in 12 minutes. A message can be sent to London from New York and an answer received in 1316 minutes. The present cost of submarine cables is \$750 a mile. and it costs on an average \$375 a mile to lay a cable. Of the 16 cables which stretch across the Atlantic coast 13 are working. The average life or a submarine cable is put at 25 years.

Cells Fer Office-Hunters. The examination hall at Canton, China, says the London Illustrated

of self-constituted and pretended leaders.

"A territorial government must be given to Porto Rico as soon after Congress convenes as possible.

"Financial legislation is not necessary, except the remonetization of silver at an enlarged ratio, if France will agree to it. The withdrawal of the greenbacks would be folly.

"Effective legislation against trusts by State Legislatures.

"On this platform," said the Senator, "we will win with a rush. I do not guarantee," he added, with a smile, "the wisdom of either the Republican party or the administration on all of these points."

The examination hall at Canton, China, says the London Illustrated News, shows one of the peculiar features of Chine.co official examinations. At stated periods would be candidates for Government employment assemble at the chief town of each district to undergo examination. These frequently number several thousands. During the examination as each candidate is locked up in a separate cell, measuring about three feet by four feet, for periods of three days and upwards. He has to eat, sleep and write in this confined space, with one board to use as a seat and one as a table, and is not allowed out on any pretext whatever. Food is passed in to him through a hole in the wall. Frequent cases have Many old soldiers now feel the effects of the hard service they endured during the war. Mr. Geo. S. Anderson, of Rossville, York county, Penn., who saw the hardest kind of service at the front is now frequently troubled with rheumatism. 'I had a severe attack lately,' he says, 'and procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It did so much good that I would like to know what you would charge me for one dozen bottles.'' Mr. Anderson wanted it both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lar's back, sprains, swellings, outs, bruide the by M. M. Lewis, outs, bruide and bottle of the bottle of the both for his own use and to supply it to his friends and neighbors, as every family should have a bottle of it in their home, not only for rheumatism, but lar's back, sprains, swellings, outs, bruided the both of the

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Personal Notes from Tappahannock

(Correspondence of The Free Lance)

Tappahannock, Va., May 4th, 1899.

Mrs. T. R. B. Wright entertained the "Daughters of the Confederacy" on Capanies of the Confederacy" on Capanies of the Confederacy on Capanies of the Capanies of this kind of Production Capanies of the Capanies of this kind of Production Capanies of the Capanies of this kind of Production Capanies of the Production Capanies of the Production Capanies of the Capanies of the Production Capanies of the Production Capanies of the Capanies of the Production Capanies of the Capanies of the Capanies Capanies of the Capanies of the Capanies Capanies of the Capanies Capanies of the Capanies Capanies of the Capanies of the Capanies of the Capanies Capanies of the Capanies Capani

Daughters of the Confederacy on nesday evening most pleasantly. Miss Virgie Cauthorn has returned rom a visit to Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Robins and little laughter, who have been visiting in Washington, have returned. Misses Josie and Sallie Henley were

Misses Jose and in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Thomas E. Blakey, who has been on a recent visit to her father, Dr. Ben. Wright, has returned to her

nome here Judge Blakey attended Middlesex Mrs. Arthur Thompson and little INSURANCE AND COLLECTION AGENT. nephew, of Fern Bank, Ohio, arrived on Tuesday and will spend several

reeks in Tappahannock. Mr. and Mr. George N. Anderton have returned from an extended visit to Mr. Filmore Timby and family have

Mr. Filmore Timby and family have moved in town.

Mrs. George R. Scott and Mrs. Macon Ware have returned from a pleasant trip to Baltimore.

Bishop Gibson is expected here this week to preach, and administer the rites of confirmation.

Mr. R. B. Gary is in Middlesex having contracted to build a handsome hopes in Urbanna.

onse in Urbanna. Miss Lizzie Phillips and Daisy Andrews were in town a few days ago.

Mr. J. P. Caulfield washere recently, and left for Baltimore via Fredericks-

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, are just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine and the best in use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25 cents per package. For sale by M. M. Lewis.

Earth

One of the harshest punishments used on criminals and cooles in India is working them in a homan treadmill. This is built in sets of huge revolying steps, up which the prisoners are obliged to walk without once stopping to rest. If these cables were spliced into one the under-the-water telegraph line would stretch out to 170,000 miles. The 1,500 cables were laid at an estimated cost of \$250,000,000; they connect with \$35,000 miles of land telegraph, with 3,500,000 miles of single wires, and over these 365,000,000 messages.

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> I have been a sufferer from chronic diarrhoes ever since the war and have used all kinds of medicines for it. last I found one remedy that has been a success as a cure, and that is Cham-berlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.—P. E. Grisham, Gaars Mills, For sale by M. M. Lewis, Drug-

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